



Fernwood Primary & Nursery School

Curriculum Newsletter

Summer Term

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that you have all had a very enjoyable holiday and are fully rested. We can't believe we are already into the summer term! We have got lots of exciting things planned; to keep you informed of your child's education, an overview of the learning for this term can be found overleaf. We will be finding out about the history of Nottingham Castle and, in Science, we will be investigating the life cycles of plants and animals. We will also be starting the Great Project. This is delivered over four weekly sessions and is designed to promote healthy relationships and provide domestic abuse awareness to Year 5 pupils. Each session has identified aims, learning outcomes and links to the RHSE curriculum.



There will also be daily Maths and English lessons. In English, we start by studying The Highwayman poem before moving on to Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo. In Maths, we will be drawing and measuring angles, plotting coordinates and continuing to work with decimal and negative numbers. The maths homework will relate to the work we have been doing during the week and will be posted on the Year 5 page of the school website alongside the class homework and weekly spellings. Remember, you can also keep up-to-date with your child's learning on the class Dojo page where you will find weekly updates and photos of what your child has been getting up to in school.

There are lots of special events planned this term including a trip to St Leonard's Church in Wollaton as part of our RE curriculum, a Wellbeing Day and Fernwood Festival. The dates for these events can be found below:

17th April—visit to St Leonard's Church

24th April—Great Project starts (this will take place every Wednesday up to 15th May)

26th April—Green Day

6th May—May Day Bank Holiday

23rd May—Wellbeing Day

24th May—INSET

HALF TERM—27th May - 31st May

w/b 24th June—Big Arts Week

5th July— INSET

19th July—Fernwood Festival





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Reminders

Homework is handed out on a Friday and is due in the following Thursday. Organisers and reading book are expected to be in school every day. Please ensure you are reading and recording in your organiser at least four times a week and practising your spellings for the weekly test.

You will need an outdoor PE kit including trainers, jogging bottoms and a sweatshirt. For indoor PE, you will need a white T-shirt and black shorts. Jewellery is not permitted and hair should be tied back.



English

We will be writing from the perspective of the highwayman based on the poem by Alfred Noyes

We will also be writing in a variety of genres based on Kensuke's Kingdom.

Music/Art / DT

Art—Combining tactile materials to create a piece of artwork linked to castles and John Constable.

DT—Making a chilli recipe

Music—Samba rhythms

Computing

Programming and control

Maths

Shape

Position and Direction

Decimals and negative numbers

Converting units and volume



Year 5

MFL

At the tea room

My home

History / Geography

History: Discovering the history of Nottingham Castle

Geography: Map reading skills

Science

Life cycles of plants and animals.

Human development

RE / RHSE

RE—Features of Mosques and Churches

RHSE—Healthy relationships (Great Project) and prejudice/discrimination

PE Days	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Outdoor PE		Maple & Olive	Cedar	Beech & Birch	
Indoor PE	Beech (swimming)	Cedar	Birch	Maple	Olive